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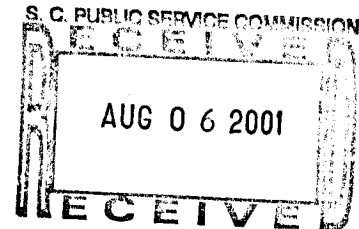
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Mr. Gary E. Walsh, Executive Director
South Carolina Public Service Commission
Synergy Business Park, Saluda Building
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Re: BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.
Section 271 Application
Docket No. 2001-209-C

Dear Mr. Walsh:

On behalf of the Southeastern Competitive Carriers Association, NewSouth Communications and the South Carolina Cable Television Association, I am writing to support the motions of AT&T and Sprint/ United to reschedule the second phase of these proceedings.

This Commission has appropriately asked the parties to address issues arising from third party testing in Georgia and Florida because BellSouth relies upon its performance in other states and testing conducted in those other states to support its South Carolina application. The testimony which this Commission has asked for would certainly be better informed and more helpful if the testing in the other states was completed. Accordingly, the rescheduling requested by AT&T and Sprint/United should be granted.

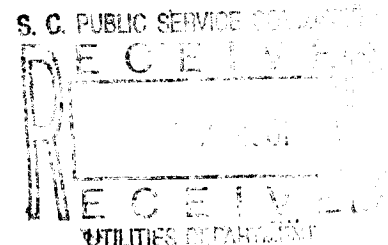
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